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On 1 June 1953, Betriebsschutz B (railroad police) was renamed Betriebschutz A and, thus, made a component of the VP in East Germany. It was planned that the railroad uniforms were to be turned in and to be exchanged for uniforms of the former transportation police which was scheduled to be made an element of the KVP. A Betriebsschutz A headquarters to which several platoons including a fourth platoon in Muldenstein were subordinate was established in Halle. The fourth platoon which had a strength of 55 men and 3 women was to guard the railroad installations in the Bitterfeld-Wittenberg area. The authorized strength of the platoon was scheduled to be 66 men.

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Comment. The information confirms informations by numerous deserters. The transportation police was repeatedly mentioned in conjunction with plans for making this force a railroad unit of the KVP.

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